BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 1997-300-C - ORDER NO. 2007-588

AUGUST 23, 2007

IN RE:	Application of US LEC of South Carolina, Inc.)	ORDER GRANTING
	d/b/a PAETEC Business Services for a)	REQUEST FOR
	Certificate of Public Convenience and)	CONFIDENTIAL
	Necessity to Provide Local)	TREATMENT
	Telecommunications Services and Intrastate)	
	Interexchange Telecommunications Services)	
	Statewide.)	

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the request of US LEC of South Carolina, Inc. d/b/a PAETEC Business Services (US LEC or the Company), filed August 1, 2007, for confidential treatment of the Company's second quarter Service Quality Report for 2007.
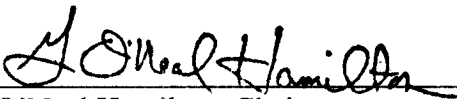
The Company represents that the information contained in the report is subject to substantial procedures to maintain its secrecy, including limiting access to the report within the Company and requiring any outside parties who are granted access to the information to sign confidentiality agreements. Further, the Company states that it derives economic value from the information not being known to or readily ascertainable by other parties.

S.C. Code Ann. Section 30-4-40(a) (1) (Supp. 2006) states that a public body may exempt "trade secrets" from disclosure, which include materials containing references to competitive information. Since US LEC's report contains proprietary and competitively

sensitive information concerning various parameters measured by the Company, and which is subject to substantial procedures to maintain its secrecy, we declare the material to contain "trade secrets," and we grant the request for confidential treatment. Accordingly, US LEC's second quarter Service Quality Report for 2007 shall be maintained under seal and withheld from public disclosure.
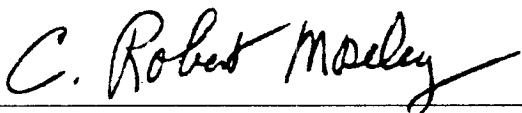
This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

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G. O'Neal Hamilton, Chairman

ATTEST:

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C. Robert Moseley, Vice Chairman

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